

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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Hiroshi AKAHORI et al.	)	Confirmation No.: 6588
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Application No.: 10/554,105	)	Group Art Unit: 4112
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For: SOLID-STATE IMAGING DEVICE	)	

Commissioner for Patents  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
**Customer Window, Mail Stop Amendment**  
Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

**AMENDMENT**

In response to the non-final Office Action dated December 24, 2008, the period for response to which extends through April 24, 2009 by the concurrently-filed petition for a one-month extension of time and corresponding fee payment, please amend the above-identified application as follows: